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For: TUNABLE DISPERSION COMPENSATING  
BANDWIDTH DEVICE FOR FIBER OPTICS  
SYSTEM

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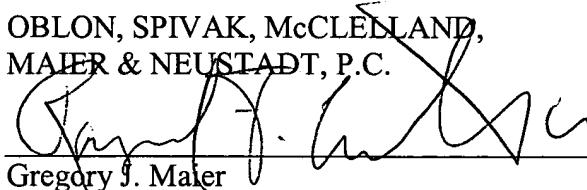
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